SENATE BILL 2588

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, relative to the Professional Educators Collaborative Conferencing Act of 2011.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-609(b), is amended by deleting the language:

If agreement is reached by the management personnel of the board of education and the representatives of its professional employees, they shall jointly prepare a proposed memorandum of understanding.

and substituting instead the following:

The board of education and its professional employees shall reach an agreement on each of the terms and conditions of employment that are the subject of collaborative conferencing. Once an agreement is reached, the parties shall jointly prepare a proposed memorandum of understanding.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-609(d), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead:

Nothing in this part shall be construed to require a local board of education to initiate collaborative conferencing with its professional employees if a majority vote to conduct collaborative conferencing is not secured in accordance with § 49-5-605.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to collaborative conferencing conducted on or after that date.